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Eastern Star Installs
Officers Coming Year
At The Masonic Hall

There was a large attendance of members of the local Order of the Eastern Star at its regular business session on Wednesday evening at the Masonic Hall, followed by a public installation of its officers elect. The installing officers were given a brief reception and were as follows:

Mrs. L. Ruth Weisbrod, P. M., as Matron; Ralph M. Forsyth, P. P., as Patron; Mrs. Dorothy P. Bolton, P. M., as Marshal; Mrs. Nettie J. Spring, P. M., as Chaplain; Mrs. Marion W. Goodspeed, P. M., as organist, and Miss Ruth Elizabeth Field as soloist.

Mrs. Eliza Pearson, Mrs. Mildred Pefferlee and Vernal Hurlbut were in charge of the reception. The officers who were installed were Mrs. Catherine E. Sheldon, Worthy Matron; L. Percy Goodspeed, Worthy Patron; Miss Priscilla Colton, associate Matron; F. William Wilde, associate Patron; Mrs. Mildred Addison, secretary; Miss Gladys Elthorpe, treasurer; Mrs. Jennie Warnock, conductress; Miss Betty Woodruff, associate conductress; Mrs. Ruth F. Hurlbut, chaplain; Miss Ida J. Sheldon, marshal; Mrs. Marion W. Goodspeed, organist; Mrs. Gertrude Morgan, Adah; Mrs. Hazel Anderson, Ruth; Mrs. Dorothy Mann, Esther; Mrs. Marion Dean, Martha; Mrs. Eva Fox, Electa; Mrs. Florence A. Wilde, Warden; Mrs. Elizabeth Fallam, Sentinel. The hall was beautifully decorated with patriotic colors and a collection of flowers which was arranged by Miss Priscilla Colton and Mrs. Gladys Buffum and with Mrs. Evelyn Parker arranging the corsages, made of defense stamps, laurel and ribbon.

After the installation, refreshments were served by a committee consisting of Miss Ida Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Hurlbut, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Given and Miss Julia Austin.

Previous to the affair, Miss Ida Sheldon, the retiring Worthy Matron, tendered a supper to all the officers who had served with her during the past year.

This year's installation marks a noteworthy event in the records of the Chapter.

More Favorable Weather Eases Traffic Hazards

The easing of temperatures this week has partially relieved the rough and icy condition of our main roads although the going on the ordinary roads is tough. Bus schedules are again back and travel is being resumed after the biting cold and below zero marks of last week. Many private automobiles endured their severest test with frosted engines and electrical equipment and many car radiators became frozen. Not for years in any winter season has travel by auto seemed so difficult. Many folks remained inside their own homes endeavoring to keep warm during the stormy season, while afterward with melting ice they witnessed leaking roofs and water, backing destroy the wallpaper of their rooms.

Nature also was punished hard, very hard in the destruction of trees by the accumulated ice. Wildlife was plagued by the scarcity of food, which snow and ice concealed.

Hermon-Seminary Sunday Speakers

Mr. Carl C. Compton, a member to the history and English departments at Mount Hermon School, will be the morning speaker in Sage Chapel this Sunday, January 31. Mr. Compton is dean of Anatolia College, Thessaloniki, Greece, and is on leave of absence due to the fact that the college has been closed during the war. The Seminary chapel service will begin at 11 o'clock. At Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel Dr. William E. Park will speak at 10:30 a. m. and there will be an organ recital by Mr. Carlton L'Hommedieu in the chapel at 5:30 p. m.

High School News

The girls of the home economics class presented a play "A Hat for Madam" at the special assembly last Friday afternoon. Those taking part were Olive Fisher, Enide Miner and Barbara Harris, all seniors. Last Friday afternoon the glee club assisted in a program of music singing the war songs at the meeting of the Fortnightly club. The glee club also offered this program of songs at school during the music period on Thursday morning.

The Town Meeting
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**Reorganize Observes
At Aircraft Station**

**McNair Family News
Of Much Interest Here**

A reorganization of the Northfield Observation Post 179B of the Aircraft Warning Service, effective this morning and providing for the taking over of the 6 p. m. to 6 a. m. watch by the patrolman at the Central Vermont bridge has been announced by Chief Observer Richard G. Holton. The new plan reduces the number of teams from 10 to seven, each of the new teams being responsible for the same day each week. It is felt by the Chief Observer that the reduced schedule and the simplified organization should result in more complete coverage of this vital phase of the war effort.

The revised schedule and the captains under the new plan are as follows: Sunday, Louis E. Smith; Monday, Mrs. Priscilla Abbott; Tuesday, Cortland R. Finch; gene is in the merchant marine service. Last November the ship to which he was assigned was torpedoed and officers and men took to lifeboats, from which they were finally rescued by a French trawler, and Frank W. port. Eugene arrived in New

York late in December and then

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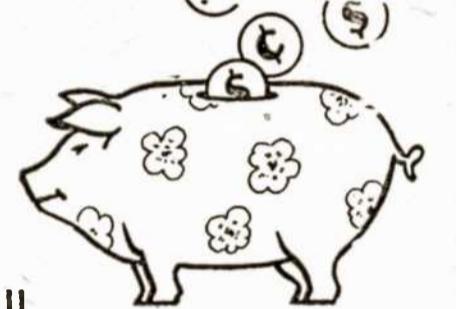
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Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and events of the week are as follows: Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Morning worship, with sermon by the minister, Rev. Edward C. Dahl; Sunday school at 10 o'clock; Sunday afternoon at 3, the Sunday school session at the Farms with Mr. Neilson in charge. Special music; Sunday at 6:30, the Christian Endeavor meeting at the church, led by Miss Ruth Norton.

Monday evening at 7:15, the Boy Scout troop meets in vestry. Wednesday, at 3 o'clock, the Women's Missionary Society meet at Alexander hall. Congregational Missions in Africa will be presented by Mrs. M. E. Vorce and Mrs. Frank Montague. At 7:30, meeting of the Sunday school teachers will be held at the home of Mrs. W. B. Wells. Mr. Currier will continue his talks on teaching. All teachers urged to attend.

Thursday, at 7:30 p.m., prayer meeting will be held at the home of Deacon and Mrs. Clifford Field. Mr. Dahl will conduct and speak on the message of the First Psalm, beginning a series of talks on the Psalter. During February the prayer meeting will be held in homes of members of the congregation in order to save fuel at the church. All are welcome.

The Sewing Society will not meet during February, as the church will be closed on Thursdays in order to conserve fuel. Thanks are due to these ladies for their co-operation in this saving.

The Unitarian Church

At the Unitarian church, Sunday at 10:45 a.m.: Service of worship, sermon topic: "Preparing for Town Meeting." Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, choir leader and organist. A cordial welcome to all.

10 a.m., Church school; topic: "Footprints in the Snow."

A special edition of the Lenten Manual for 1943 is being sent to sixteen young men in the service by the Northfield Unitarian Society.

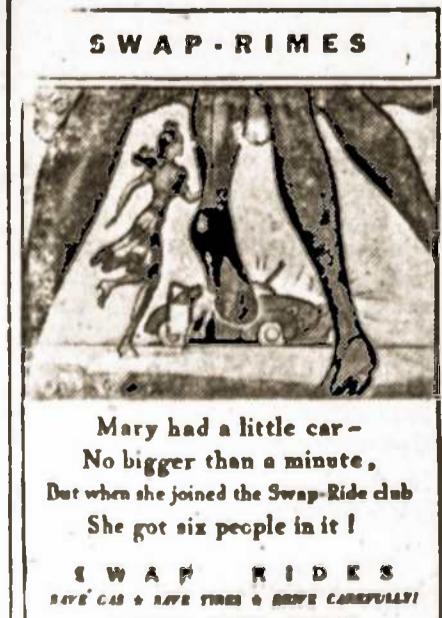
The American-Japanese Baptist and Christian churches of Poston, Arizona, have acknowledged with gratitude the Christmas gifts sent by the children and parents of the Church school for the children of three relocation camps in Arizona.

Speaking on the theme: "Song in Time of Tribulation," last Sunday, Mr. Heeb said in part: The 150 Psalms have come down to us from numberless "hymn books" of the singing Hebrew peoples. In their present form they represent the cherished rhythms of the deepest human experience. Their Law was after all, a cold and difficult affair, their Hope, often, far-off, but their song, immediate. The Psalms, like a symphony, echoed the deep things, the tragedy and the unutterable joy—that is not alone Hebrew, but humanity's.

Immediate, human and always seeking, God is the secret of these deathless songs. Helen Keller, the famous blind and deaf and dumb woman, said: "I who have never heard a sound tell you, there is no silence, and I who have never seen a ray of light, tell you there is no darkness." This is not sentiment but a scientific fact. The eye can see only one octave of light, the ear can hear but eight octaves of sound, but she by the mysterious power of vibration, rhythm, both sees and hears. Our Psalms have the over-tones of the heart beyond immediate perception.

There are blemishes in the Psalms, hatred, clan morality, and ethics crop up in the most beautiful songs ever uttered. Take the 139th, "I hate with a perfect hate." Jesus would never have uttered such a thought. The 23rd, "A table in the presence of mine enemy," reminds one of the food-blockade against innocent children after the Armistice in the last war. Such ideas of antique righteousness should be put in the museum with rickety and dangerous furniture, not to be used in singing the glory and faithfulness of our God.

Some of the most touching songs the 71st, an old man (dying of cancer possibly), "Forsake me not." The 46th, "God our refuge" from which Luther composed his great hymn, the 1837th, like millions of people in Hitler's Europe, "How can we sing, the Lord's song in a strange land?" and the 126th, joy unconfined after the "armistice," reveal to us the value and the consolation of song, and God, today in this time of great world tribulation.



West Northfield-South Vernon

Services on Sunday at the Advent Christian church, Rev. E. W. Blackstone, pastor, are: morning worship at 10:30; with sermon, "A Call to Prayer," and a talk to children on "The Lad with Leaves"; Sunday school at 11:45 with classes for all ages; Young People's meeting at 6:30, with Miss Hazel Tenney, leader; evening worship at 7:30, topic "The Stranger of Galilee." Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7, at Vernon Home. A cordial welcome to all to attend the services of the church.

Edgar Bruce was badly injured when a tree struck him in falling in the woods last Saturday. Alfred Edson, who was with him, drove him home and a physician was summoned. He was taken to Brattleboro hospital for treatment to his injuries.

George Scherlin has been accepted for military service and will soon leave for training. He was formerly a member of the National Guard company of Brattleboro.

Gaylord Gray has accepted employment as a fireman on the Boston and Maine R.R., working out of Eastfield.

Norman Randall, who is in the Navy, is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Randall, on a nine day furlough. He has been transferred for duty to Davisville, R.I.

Mrs. Winston Churchill of this place, who has been quite ill with an attack of grip, is making a good recovery.

Mrs. William Hilliard, who has been quite ill, is now reported much improved. Her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Barnes, who was caring for her, has returned to her home in Athol.

Getting Fine Ice

The Northfield schools is harvesting a crop of most excellent ice from their pond at Mount Hermon school and the storage bins are being filled at the Seminary, the Northfield hotel, and Mount Hermon school. The ice is solid and clear and attracts much attention as it is hauled through the town on many trucks. Thus far no ice has been cut on Wanamaker Pond and it is said that it is of poor quality owing to its breaking and overflow by water some weeks ago.

Grange Items

The next meeting of the local Grange will be held February 9, at 8 p.m., in the Grange hall. Program of agriculture and educational interest.

The Grange will have a valentine party Friday night, February 12, at 8 p.m., in the Grange hall. Games and dancing with light refreshments. Public invited. Do not come in a car.

Movies At Hostel

A four-short program of movies at the hostel this Saturday will include "Rhumba Land," a musical; "Snow Thrills," a sport picture; "Wildwest Daze," a cartoon, and "South Africa Marches," a travel picture. It has been found that a series of shorter, high quality pictures are more pleasing to both the youngsters and older people, than longer film.

This will be the eleventh week that the Youth Hostel has shown movies in their recreation room at 2:30 and 7:30 o'clock. All pictures are sound.

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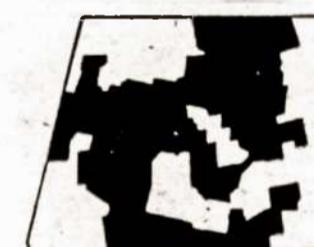
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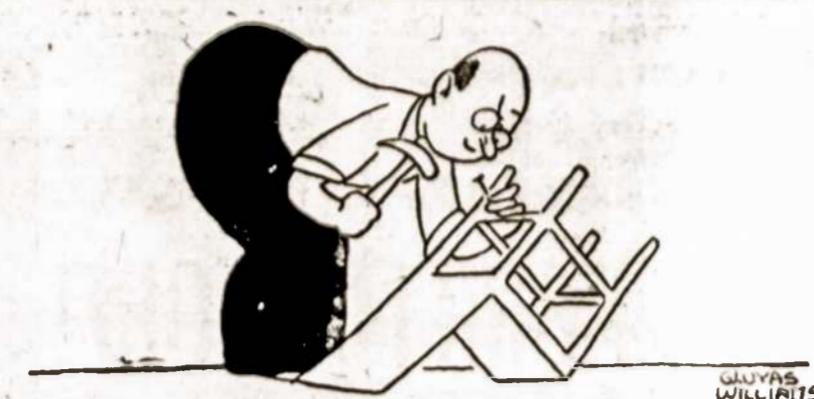
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TOWN TOPICS

A letter reveals that Mr. and Mrs. Ambert G. Moody are enjoying their vacation in Florida, especially the weather, which is like that of July here. They are greeting many friends and are nicely located at Lake Alfred. They are attending the Bible class sessions of Dr. Caroline Palmer of the New York Biblical Seminary held at Winter Haven. Beautiful flowers are everywhere and Mrs. Moody enjoys picking them at the patio of the hotel.

Miss Synott, who for the past two summers has been the pianist of the trio which played during the summer season at the Northfield Hotel, is now located at the Haven Hotel in Winter Haven.

Young women of this town, who might be interested in joining the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, the WAAC's, and feel that they have the necessary ability, should write for information regarding applying to Elizabeth Price, 3 O, WAAC, Postoffice Building, Springfield, Mass.

William Carr, who is an Ensign in the Navy and at present taking a course at Dartmouth, was a visitor at his home here over last week-end.

The many friends of Warren Weir of Greenfield, who was the last cashier of the Northfield National Bank and since in the employ of the First National Bank of Greenfield, will be interested to learn that he has accepted a position with the Greenfield Savings Bank.

Harold Childs, who has been in the employ of Sheldon Brothers for the past three years, has returned to his home in Malone, N. Y., for induction into army service. He made his home with the Spaulding family on Winchester road.

Mrs. Emma Phillips, who resides on Manning hill on the Winchester road, has returned to her home after spending several weeks in Portland, Maine, with her son, Donald Phillips.

The ski ball and festivities of the Brattleboro Outing Club will be cancelled this season for the first time in 21 years, owing to the gasoline situation.

F. Earl Lilly, who has been in the employ of the Seminary for several years, has concluded his work there and becomes a fireman on the Boston and Maine R. R., working out of East Deerfield.

Mrs. E. M. Powell attended a luncheon at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield on Wednesday, when a group of USO workers considered the needs of the service men at the Northfield camp in Warwick.

Mrs. L. R. LaBella is chairman of a committee of women, who have a table at the Congregational church, available when meetings are in session for the exchange of good reading matter, magazines, papers, etc.

Plenty of measles and mumps around the town just now with the younger folks but no serious cases. Classes in school have a depleted appearance and the doctors are kept busy.

The Youth Hostel organization issues passes to men in the service who desire to avail themselves of privileges in the various hostels about New England. They are issued upon application.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Whitney have purchased the former home of Carl Mason on Main street and after some repairs and improvements are made will occupy for residence. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney have made their home for some time in the Breining house on the Hinckley road.

William Marshall, Jr., son of Capt. and Mrs. William Marshall, Jr., of Highland avenue, has joined the U. S. A. Para ski troop at Camp Hale, Colorado.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to all friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses shown our father during his long illness, and also for the beautiful flowers and expressions of sympathy at the time of his death.

Edwin Bigelow
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bigelow
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bigelow
Mr. and Mrs. George Bigelow
Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Bigelow
Miss Emma Bigelow

Mrs. Dorothy Hammond is teaching a class of Seminary faculty members a series of lessons in Home nursing.

Major Hamlin of the Northfield camp at Warwick is a frequent visitor at the Northfield Hotel, where his wife is registered during his assignment in command of the camp.

Mr. Fitt calls our attention to the fact that the Registry of Motor Vehicles reports that 614,372 motor cars of all kinds have been registered since January 1, which is in decline of 13 per cent over a year ago. However, there is now a brisk demand for insurance and registration.

Miss Adeline Edwards, field director of the Red Cross at the U. S. Naval hospital at Newport, R. I., has written a letter of appreciation for the greens which were sent by friends from Northfield just before the Christmas season for use in decorations at the hospital.

A fine floodlight now graces the new community skating rink and furnishes abundant illumination. It was purchased through the generosity of local citizens.

Reports from the hospital state that Donald Finch is making a satisfactory recovery, though slow from his recent operation. His many friends hope for his early return to good health.

The new vicar (during a lengthy discourse on the minor prophets): "And now, my brethren, we come to Malachi. Where shall we put Malachi?"

Farmer Giles (reaching for his hat): "You can put him in my pew. I'm going home."

"What is your favorite book?" "It has always been my bank book—but that is lacking in interest now."

Tommy: Is it really lucky to have a black cat follow you?

Mr. Smith: Well, it all depends on whether you are a man or a mouse.

Unsympathetic Mother: "Why didn't you come and ask me first if you wanted to go fishing?"

Sobbing Small Son: "Because I wanted to go fishing."

(Letter from an actual communication in the files of the Treasury Department.)



WOMEN AT WAR

Margaret

Margaret turned off the humongous vacuum cleaner, and straightened the slipcovers of the armchair and the daybed that she had pushed up to go over the rug. Then she stood quite still in the doorway and looked at the small bedroom with its southern exposure. It was as neat and impersonal as a pin. It might never have been lived in. The door stood open on the clean, bare closet. There was not a pennant, not even a team picture, not even a much as an old Arithmetic book left to show whose room it had once been.

Margaret stared at the walls, the furniture, and deeply, slowly, she realized that no matter what lodgers with their own trinkets and pictures might occupy it, she would always see it the old way. It was the old way that she saw it now. A pair of hard-worn gray pants lay on the floor where they had been dropped. Three baseball bats were stacked with a fishing rod in the corner. A battered red cap with a letter on it lay on the bed. And through the bed, as though it were transparent, Margaret saw another bed, smaller, and with high slatted sides.

She put the vacuum cleaner away and went down to her desk in the sitting-room. She took the fifteen dollars rent that the new lodger had paid that morning in advance for the room, and added to it, from her purse, three dollars and seventy-five cents more. Then she drew out a sheet of paper and began to write on it, slowly, gravely.

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EDITORIAL

GIVE NOT KEEP

"I looked upon a sea, and lo, 'twas dead,
Although by Hermon snow and Jordan fed
How come a fate so dire? The tale's soon told—
All that it got is kept, and fast did hold,
All tributary streams found here their grave
Because that sea received, but never gave.
O sea that's dead, teach me to know and feel
That selfish grasp my doom shall seal.
And help me, Lord, myself, my best to give,
That I may others bless, and like Thee live."

SO MOTE IT BE

"In this crisis we are called upon to face grim facts, to endure hardships and make sacrifices far beyond any for which our generation has yet shown either the strength or the capacity. If we awaken in time, if God grants us the wisdom to choose and the will to follow the difficult road of mutual trust and mutual sacrifice, we will emerge from this darkness into a brighter day in which we and our children can lead the world in the pursuit of a nobler and finer civilization. If we fail, another tragic ending will be written to another glorious chapter in humanity's upward striving. Let us believe and pray and strive to the end that all elements of our population, forsaking narrow self-interest, will have the vision to see and the strength to follow those converging paths which lead to the concentration of the full energy of a mighty nation of free people."

TIME TO HELP

The right of any business to advance by the initiative of its owner or management, operating on a competitive basis, has given this country a merchandising system that is now of incalculable value to consumers in money saved, and in the greater variety and better quality of products and merchandise offered.

Retail stores never before faced such problems as today. Securing goods for distribution requires expert knowledge, foresight and an understanding of laws and regulations heretofore unheard of in this nation.

There is one request that merchants now make of all consumers: Between now and the time full war rationing takes effect late in February, don't hoard. The merchant: ask this because they are co-operating with government to the utmost to avoid disruption of consumer supplies. Merchandisers, no matter how efficient, cannot distribute products that don't exist. Lend-lease and military demands have made deep inroads on supplies of all kinds. It is up to the consumer to co-operate in dividing what is left.

ISN'T IT SO?

Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, after returning from his grueling experience in the South Seas and his inspection of fighting fronts, is the only man who has said what the American people needed to hear in connection with production problems. He said that if the soldiers could be transferred from the hell holes they occupy on the battlefronts, to our factories, and if the employees in the factories could be transferred to the battlefronts, production in this country would double in thirty days.

By the tone of his voice and his expression, you could see that he

was disgusted with the Pollyanna talk about workers at home being classed as filling "battle stations."

Captain Rickenbacker emphasized that nothing the people in this country can do will in any measure equal what the boys on the battle lines are doing. They don't get overtime pay and they work day and night if necessary.

The people agree with Captain Rickenbacker. Just because some of us wear "tin hats" at home, we don't want to become swelled up with the idea that we are filling "battle stations"—we are not. Battle stations are where the bullets fly and men are dying; where men work as long as there is something to do; where orders are obeyed; where overtime pay and profit are not an issue; and where the perpetuation of liberty and freedom for the individual are the guiding stars.

FOLLOW HIM

Does Christ save you from your sin?
Call Him Saviour!
Does He free you from your passions?
Call Him Redeemer!
Does He teach you as no one else has taught you?
Call Him Teacher!
Does He mold and master your life?
Call Him Master!
Does He shine upon the pathway that is dark to you?
Call Him Guide!
Does He reveal God to you?
Call Him the Son of God!
Does He reveal man?
Call Him the Son of Man!
Or, in following Him, are your lips silent in your incapacity to define Him and His influence upon you?
Call Him by no name, but follow Him!

These lines were written by Rev. Howard S. Bliss, president of the Syrian Protestant college of Beirut, during the last World war and only a few weeks before his death. President Bliss was well known to many in Northfield.

Know Massachusetts

DO YOU KNOW THAT . . . The number of public buses in operation in Massachusetts has increased to 3654, which is about 300 more than a year ago. . . . During January the time from sunrise to sunset will lengthen by 45 minutes, in February by one hour, 13 minutes; in March by one hour, 29 minutes; in April by one hour, 21 minutes, and in May by one hour, two minutes. . . . Total assets of all types of banks in the Commonwealth are about \$7,100,000,000. . . . During 1943 the Massachusetts 4-H Clubs expect to increase their membership to 3500 and to increase their home canning of fruit, vegetables and meat to 250,000 jars. Last year 2600 members put up approximately 188,000 jars. . . . Massachusetts State College this year has 1409 students, of whom 1236 are enrolled in the four-year degree course. . . . More than 225,000 men and women from Massachusetts have joined the armed forces. . . . A total of 6,770,855 vehicles used the Sumner Tunnel in Boston last year, which was 7 per cent more than in 1940 and only 8 per cent less than in 1941, notwithstanding the radical drop in highway traffic resulting from gas rationing, which began in May, 1942. . . . A bill has been filed in the Legislature to provide for biennial municipal elections in Chicopee; and another to authorize the Town of Weymouth to adopt the representative plan of town meeting.

Magazine Loan Table

A unique project is being carried on at the Congregational church. For some weeks the committee, of which Mrs. Louise B. LaBella is the enthusiastic chairman, has been working to create a Loan Table of Periodicals of religious and missionary interest and culture and last Sunday the Table was opened for the free loan of a large number of most attractive magazines in articles and illustrations. Some have been purchased, others have been given free for a year by the publishers and a large number are to be "passed along" regularly by individuals.

These are of interest to persons of all age. They are to be borrowed for one or two weeks and those of date previous to the last three months will be given to families who need not return them.

Rev. E. C. Dahl gave an inspiring and able address showing the value to the individual Christian having a well-furnished mind.

One who reads such literature is literally enjoying a course in current events. The Table is open before and after the morning service each Sunday morning.

The Back Yard Gardener

Victory tools for victory gardens, if manufactured after May 8, 1943, must conform to simplified patterns and styles prescribed by the War Production Board. After April 8, all such tools must be made of carbon steel rather than alloy steel.

I thought I'd mention that item so you folks would be reminded to check over your present supply and see if any of your tools need replacing, especially if you are fussy and insist on having a certain streamlined effect in your garden implements.

The report went on to say that about 700 separate items, sizes, styles, grades, etc., will be eliminated. From then on it will be just one style and this will be "A" grade, "B" grade, and in some cases, "C" grade.

One exception was hand wheel cultivators. Why there is I can't figure out. But the report also said that from 800 to a thousand tons of steel would be saved annually, and if that's the cause I'll say "Amen" to the idea.

Dave Arnold insists that all a gardener needs anyway is a good spade, a rake, and a hoe. He says that if the hoe is kept razor sharp, a gardener can do an A-1 job with those three.

I hope you folks are doing some real serious planning on your home garden. Those who have had gardens can of course base this year's plans on past experience. But new gardeners—and there will be lots of them this year—should give some thought to several problems.

While the food outlook for next summer and winter is none too bright, I don't believe that there is any sense of rushing blindly into the job of creating a home garden. It's much better to use a little generalship and be pretty certain before you start that your victory garden will be a victory. If you see only defeat ahead, you had better put your extra energy into other lines which will help on the war effort.

The first item to consider I think is time. This will vary of course with the size of the garden which you happen to have, but in general my experience would indicate that for a family of four or five—which means a space 50 by 100 feet—it will take a good share of your spare time during the spring and early summer. Figured on the hour basis I'd say about two hours average per day when getting the garden started. Later it will taper off. However, most of us have that much spare time profitably pastimes.

So if you're not willing to give that time, don't waste seeds and fertilizers by putting them into the ground and letting them go to waste.

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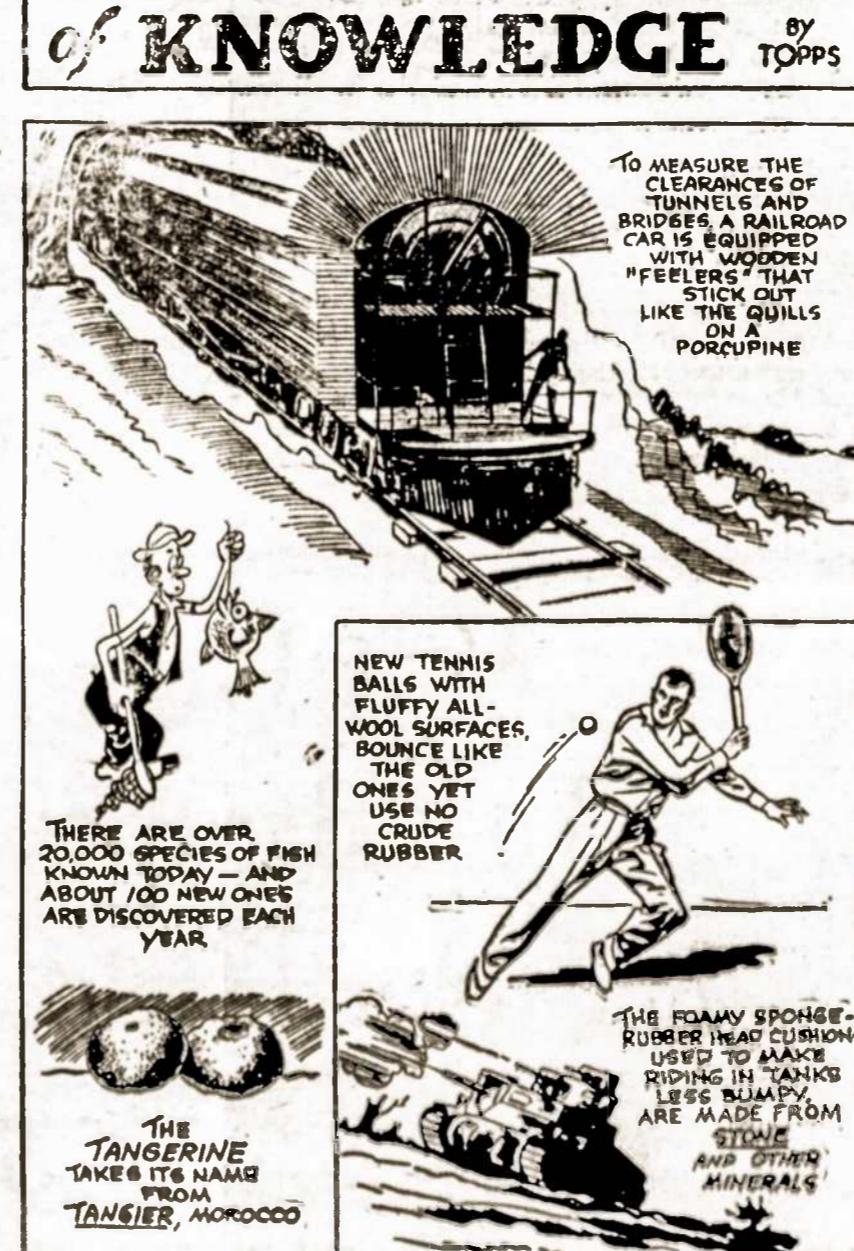
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